

NEW AND EFFECTIVE WAR SAVINGS CAMPAIGN

Pledge Cards Are Sent Out in Every Letter by a New Bern Firm

(Special to The Dispatch.)

New Bern, June 8.—According to statements made by those who are in position to know what they are speaking, there will be a greater amount of canning done in Craven county during the three months than has ever before been done here during a corresponding period.

Usually when second primaries are held in order to decide which candidates shall hold the office to which they are aspiring, there is not as much interest manifested by the public as was the case in the campaign prior to the first primary, but the political pot in Craven county is again merrily bubbling and the public is sitting up and taking notice.

With two candidates for the sheriff's office in the field, a delegation of no mean proportion out for county commissioners, and two gentlemen in the race for the office of the solicitor of the district, things are certainly on the jump.

The second primary is to be held on June 29th, and between the present time and that date the candidates and their friends will certainly "make hay."

S. Coplon & Sons, one of New Bern's best known firms, has hit upon a new and effective of boosting the war savings stamp campaign and that is the sending out in every letter that they mail a pledge card and other literature fully describing the W. S. S. campaign.

The idea was put into effect by Mr. Charles Coplon, the manager of the firm, and that it has brought forth results is manifest by the large number of pledge cards that have been returned.

Every firm in North Carolina would follow in the steps of the local firm in this matter, the campaign would be given added impetus and thousands of dollars worth of stamps would be disposed of.

New Bern people have this week been busily engaged in placing orders for their winter's supply of coal and several thousand tons of the "black diamonds" have been ordered by them and will be delivered by the dealers just as rapidly as it is possible for them to get it off their yards and into the bins of their customers.

Last winter New Bern, as many other cities, suffered a coal famine and that particular commodity or necessity was at the time about as scarce as the proverbial hens' teeth.

MAXTON VISITED BY BIG ELECTRICAL STORM

Colored Graded School Building Struck and Is Destroyed

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Maxton, N. C., June 8.—Maxton was visited by a severe electrical storm last night, during which the colored graded school was struck by lightning and completely consumed.

The building was a large one of wood, which having served as the white school for many years, had, after the completion of Maxton's handsome brick building, been moved to the colored district and completely refitted and furnished and put to their use. The loss is serious, approximating \$10,000.

After a prosperous year Carolina college closed its term this week, accepting a few who are visiting friends locally, all the students have departed for their homes. Friends of the institution look forward to an increased attendance next term.

A number of Maxton's young people enjoyed a barbecue and picnic at Lumber Beach near here, Thursday evening.

Mrs. J. O. McClelland and children are spending the week at Wrightsville Beach. They are accompanied by Mrs. McClelland's father, A. R. Agner, of West Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Barnes are visiting the latter's parents, Judge and Mrs. O. H. Allen Kingston.

Mesdames S. O. Frostick, J. M. Burke and H. H. Honeycutt were visitors to Lumberton during the week.

Misses Blanche Burke and Bessie Lee Nicholson are home from Meredith College, Raleigh.

It is rumored that the agencies of the Seaboard and Coast Line railways are to be consolidated here shortly under one head.

For some reason unexplainable by experienced horticulturists the war gardens are for the most part failures here this season.

A. and E. College.

The Dispatch has received a copy of the catalogue of North Carolina State College of Agriculture and Engineering at West Raleigh. That great technical college is doing a fine work. Scientific education fits in admirably with the demands of such times as these when production in all lines requires efficiently trained men. The college offers full four-year courses in agriculture, chemistry, civil engineering, mechanical engineering, electrical engineering and textile industry.

WAR SAVINGS SOCIETY HAD INTERESTING MEETING
The South Wilmington war savings society held one of its regular meetings Friday night at 8:30 at the school house. The limited attendance, reduced by the inclement weather, was a veritable dynamo of patriotism. The meeting was opened with an invocation for divine assistance in these

critical times, after which President Russ made a timely talk on the war and its purposes. He covered the grounds as to why all should rally cheerfully around the banner of the free for the defense of democracy, which is near and dear to all.

When Secretary John Biddle was called upon to make a few remarks, he touched upon the most vital necessities for winning the war, among which he dwelt at length and stressed upon food conservation. Food conservation, he stated, is sometimes misunderstood. The government requires that we should buy equal amounts of cereals with our flour, in order to create a surplus for allied armies. The fact, he stated, that we comply with this request does not mean patriotism;

buying a commodity without putting in use is pure wastefulness, but we must buy and consume what we buy to be considered patriotic. Otherwise, we are fighting the battles of the Kaiser.

It was deemed necessary by the president to create a publicity office, and Alex. S. Yeager was selected for that work, while Secretary Biddle was

persuaded to retain his office despite his insistence on the acceptance of his resignation.

It was decided to call a meeting every first and third Thursday of each month, the next meeting thus falling on the 20th of this month, when the United Society will be invited to participate, and refreshments will be served on that occasion.



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